

**Amendment to the Abstract**

The Abstract has been amended. A revised Abstract is attached.

**ABSTRACT**

~~What is made available by the present invention is a~~ A battery, in which measures are taken to suppress a reduction in charge/discharge capacity and degradation of load characteristics due to peeling of an active material off the current collector during repeated charging and discharging, is disclosed ~~the use of the battery with charge/discharge operations repeated. An application of a boehmite~~ Boehmite treatment or a chromate treatment ~~to~~ of the current collector surface of the electrode plate for the battery ~~makes it possible for~~ suppresses the degradation of charge/discharge capacity and load characteristics ~~to be suppressed to a minimum.~~

Attachment